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Hostels for Girls
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is provision of opening of hostels in educationally backward blocks under girls hostel scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the criteria for setting up girls hostels in the said areas;

(c) whether cases of dropout of girls have been reported due to non-availability of extension of hostels;

(d) if so, whether the Government proposes to establish extension of hostels; and

(e) if so, the time by which it is likely to be made available?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

(a)&(b) : Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has provision for setting up of Girls Hostels under Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) component of Sarva Shksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Girls' Hostel component of Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) in the Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs).

The EBBs have been identified on the basis of composite criteria of blocks with a rural Female Literacy Rate (FLR) below the national average of 46.13% and Gender Gap in Literacy higher than the national average of 21.59%, as per Census 2001.
KGBVs provide residential upper primary schools to girls who are unable to go to regular schools, out of school girls in the 10+ age group who are unable to complete primary school and younger girls of migratory populations in difficult areas of scattered habitations that do not qualify for primary/upper primary schools. The KGBVs have a capacity of 50 to 100. Under Girls' Hostel component of RMSA, hostels with lodging and boarding facilities are set up for girl students who are in the age group of 14-18 years studying in classes IX to XII and belonging to SC, ST, OBC, Minority communities and Below Poverty Line families. The Girls' Hostels have a capacity of 100.

(c) : No such cases of dropout of girls due to non-availability of extension of hostels have been reported.

(d) & (e) : There is no proposal at present to extend the capacity of the hostels.

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